

Government Railways.

New South Wales Government Estates, Office of the Railway Commissioners.

TENDERS for the Works, &c., specified below will be received at the Railway Commissioners' Office, Sydney, from Monday, September 18th, until 12 m. on the date named:—

MONDAY, Sept. 18TH.—
THE SUPPLY OF BILLET WOOD required in the Sydney District during the remainder of the year, subject to the usual conditions of tenders.

THE SUPPLY OF BILLET TIMBER required in the Northern District during the remainder of the year, ending 30th June, 1892. Particulars, Railway Commissioners' Office.

THE SUPPLY OF ENGINE COAL required at Maitland, New South Wales, for the month of October, not exceeding 100 tons per day, &c., particulars, Railway Commissioners' Office.

THE PRINTING OF POSTALS AND PLACARDS. Particulars, Chief Telegraph Manager's Office, Sydney.

THE PURCHASE AND REMOVAL OF THE OLD STONE STATION HOUSE required by the North Shore Line. Particulars Existing Lines Office, Sydney.

MONDAY, 25TH OCTOBER.—
THE PURCHASE AND REMOVAL OF A FIVE-ROOMED STONE COTTAGE at Larkspur Ley, Earlwood, Particulars Existing Lines Office, Sydney.

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By order of the Commissioners.

H. M'LAUCHLAN, Secretary.

Amusements.

THEATRE ROYAL.

POSSIBLY LAST NIGHT BUT THREE.

“THE PRODIGAL DAUGHTER”
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“Last
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“Positively last night but three.”

THE GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLECHASE AT THE GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLECHASE.

SATURDAY EVENING NEXT.

First produced in Sydney, after stirring Anti-African Agitation, dealing with Various Sporting and Military Details.

FOR ENGLAND!

THE SYDNEY MORNING HERALD, TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 1896.

SPECIAL CABLES.
FROM THE HERALD'S LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

THE SOUDAN EXPEDITION.
DONGOLA OCCUPIED UNOPPOSED.
THE DERVISH POWER BROKEN.
THE EXPEDITION WELCOMED BY THE NATIVES.

LONDON, Sept. 21. Further advices from the "Soudan state" that following upon their retreat from Kerman, the Dervishes retired towards Dongola.

During the fighting which took place at Haffir, on the left bank of the river, and in which the Dervishes lost heavily, Ishbara, the Dervish leader, was severely wounded.

The gunboats of the Anglo-Egyptian expedition proceeded to Dongola, and the troops occupied the town unopposed. The grain store and the Treasury, together with 25 grain boats, were seized.

There is a plentiful supply of fodder in the country round about Haffir.

The natives on both banks of the river welcomed the Egyptians.

It is believed that the power of the Dervishes is broken.

Later.

The Dervish forces at Kerman numbered 4000 picked men. They abandoned Haffir under the belief that the Egyptians were marching upon Dongola along the banks of the Nile simultaneously with the passage of the gunboats up the river.

MATABELELAND.

REBELS TENDERING THEIR SUBMISSION.

LONDON, Sept. 21. Reports from Bulawayo state that the Shangani mounted patrol is driving the Matshes rebels northward.

Five thousand of Umtonga's rebels in the Fort Charter district have given in their submission.

SOUTH AFRICAN CUSTOMS CONFERENCE.

THE CUSTOMS TARIFF.

LONDON, Sept. 20. The South African Customs Conference has adopted resolutions agreeing to reduce the tariffs on the principal necessities of life, excepting grain and meat.

AFFAIRS IN JAPAN.

THE NEW PREMIER.

LONDON, Sept. 21. Count Matsukata has been appointed Premier of Japan, in succession to the Marquis Ito, who lately resigned.

MADAGASCAR.

THE FRENCH RESIDENT RECALLED.

LONDON, Sept. 21. General Gallieni has been appointed in success to M. La Roche as French Resident in Madagascar, the latter having been recalled.

CHOLERA IN EGYPT.

LONDON, Sept. 21. Telegraphic advice from Cairo report that the cholera epidemic is subsiding.

DIOCESE OF ROCKHAMPTON.

LONDON, Sept. 20. Mr. D'Arcy, one of the largest shareholders in the Mount Morgan Gold-mining Company, has subscribed £250 in aid of the Anglican diocese of Rockhampton, Queensland.

Dr. Davies, Bishop of Rockhampton, who is present on a mission to England in connection with his diocese, has decided to remain in England in order to take part in the Lambeth Conference.

AUSTRALIAN TRADE.

FOREIGN IMPORTS.

LONDON, Sept. 20. The Zouave says that the samples of foreign imports into Victoria exhibited at the meeting of the London Chamber of Commerce formed a valuable object lesson to British producers, as showing the greater adaptability of foreign manufacturers.

MINING COMPANIES.

LONDON, Sept. 20. The Golden Leases Gold-mining Company, Coolgardie, which was recently formed with a capital of £120,000, has allotted shares to the extent of £25,000.

Sept. 21. The Desirable Proprietary Mining Company, Western Australia, has been formed with a capital of £250,000, of which shares to the extent of £60,000 are to be issued.

EUROPEAN BEET-SUGAR CROP.

LONDON, Sept. 21. Herr F. O. Licht, the Magdeburg expert in beet sugar, states in his monthly circular that the month's production of beet sugar in Europe shows a decrease of 397,000 tons as compared with the corresponding period of last year. The campaign shows a decrease of 169,000 tons.

TO-DAY.

U.S. Library Society: Lecture by Mr. William Edwin, See, &c., 10 a.m. Sunday; Hill Wesley Church: Commemorative service, 1 p.m.

McVicar's Co-operative Mission Hall: 7.45 p.m. Congregational Church: Mother of Three, 8 p.m.

Opposite Market Hall: "The Story of the Queen," 8 p.m. Newmarket, Variety, and Burleigh Company: "Punch and Judy," 8 p.m.

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THE DYNAMITERS.

EXTRADITION OF TYNAN.

PREVENTED BY THE FRENCH STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS.

LONDON, Sept. 20. It has been discovered that 14 kilograms (about 33lb.) of dynamite were manufactured at the factory at Berchem, near Antwerp, before it was seized by the police.

The French Statute of Limitations prevents the extradition of Tynan from the Phenix Park murders.

It is reported that another suspected dynamiter has been arrested at Boulogne.

THE CZAR'S VISIT TO FRANCE.

EXPULSION OF UNREGISTERED FOREIGNERS.

LONDON, Sept. 20. The Paris correspondent of the Times telegraphs that the situation promises to improve.

SPEECH BY THE BISHOP OF MANCHESTER.

LONDON, Sept. 21. Dr. Moorhouse, Bishop of Manchester, addressed a gathering of 10,000 persons in Manchester yesterday, in support of the protests against the continued deportation of Armenians from Stamboul.

REPORTED DISCOVERY OF BOMBS.

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THE UNITED STATES.

PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.

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MASSACRE IN ARMENIA.

LONDON, Sept. 21. News from the East states that the Khurdis have massacred 600 Armenians at Kharput, in Asiatic Turkey.

SILVER.

LONDON, Sept. 21. Bar silver is quoted to-day at 26 6 1/2d per ounce standard, being a fall of 1/2d. since last quotation.

QUEENSLAND.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

QUEENSLAND RIFLE ASSOCIATION MEETING.

Brisbane, Monday.

The annual meeting of the Queensland Rifle Association was commenced at the Toowong Rifle Range this morning. The weather was fine, and the light perfect. The wind, however, was fairly strong, and somewhat interfered with shooting. There was a fair attendance of the members.

The principal interest centred in the first stage of the Queen's Prize, at 300 and 500 yards, which was concluded. The principal score at the ranges mentioned were: Private Hoeman, 1st Regiment, 29 and 33; Private Goss, 1st Battalion Engineers, 29 and 32; H. Lepage, Mount Morgan, 29 and 33; R. H. Garrett, A Company, 28 and 33; Corporal Bradley, A Company, 31 and 30; D. Lanahan, Queensland English, 28 and 32; Sergeant Sewell, A Company, 30 and 32; Sergeant Evans, 1st Battalion, 29 and 32; Corporal Bradley, B Company, 29 and 32; Corporal Bradley, C Company, 31 and 30; and Corporal Bradley, D Company, 31 and 30.

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SITUATION IN TURKEY.

FROM THE HERALD'S LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

THE OUTLOOK IMPROVING.

ARMENIANS ORDERED TO BE STOPPED.

[BY CARLIS.]

[FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.]

EXTRADITION OF TYNAN.

LONDON, Sept. 21. The latest intelligence from Turkey is to the effect that the Sultan has ordered the stoppage of the expulsion of Armenians from Stamboul. Arrests are to be limited to actual criminals.

THE SULTAN AND THE POWERS.

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ADMIRALTY HOUSE.

A SUCCESSFUL DANCE.
An elegant ball was given at Admiralty House last night by the Honourable Sir George Bridger. About 300 guests were present. The evening was beautifully fine, and being moonlight the path across the lawn was dimly lighted. The ladies were in full readiness to receive the guests from "Man-o'-War Steps" to Admiralty House, and were kept busy throughout the evening, upholding the honour of their host. At Admiralty House was an open-air walk deck with the fairylights when the garden presented. Hundreds of Chinese lanterns outlined the paths, and music was played on the bandstand. The flowers and vines on the tennis lawns and round the flower beds and paths. Tablets were erected in different parts of the garden, and gaily decorated with the names of the various societies. The tables were set and fitted with comfortable chairs and lounges, and lighted with Chinese lanterns, making everything look picturesque.

The hall was a large room, in which beautiful palms and flowers were arranged.

The hall, in the H.M.S. Oronsay, was stationed on the verandah, and played an excellent selection of dance music. Refreshments were served in the hall during the evening, the tables being ornamented with dainty lace, rock lilies, and carnations.

Whist was played in the billiard-room, and with a large party from Government House, Lady Gorham, the Hon. Margaret, Alice, and Dorothy, Ward, the Hon. A. E. Beaufort and Lady M. C. Campbell, and Miss Madson, Captain Ferguson, A. P. C., and the Hon. G. H. Gathorne-Hardy, Lady Darley and the Misses Daffy, also came to the ballroom. The various parties Lady Howard's were handsomely dressed of black, black and black, black and black, diamond, tara, pearl necklaces, and diamond ornaments. Lady Howard's were dressed in black, black and black, black and green sequins and a frill of white tulles on the bodice, diamond tara, and other magnificence of diamonds.

Miss Alice Ward, all white, white, white, white.

Lady Edna was in black satin, handsomely trimmed with jet, and jewelled with diamonds, the bodice a band of lace.

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